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- 11. (S) Ambassador briefed MinState Al Sha'ali on the contents of the National Intelligence Estimate non-paper on December 3 evening. He promised to share this inforamtion with Foreign Minister Abdullah bin Zayed, who is in Doha.
- 12. (S) On December 4, DCM reviewed talking points with MFA Director of Organizations and International Conferences Yacub al Hosani. Al Hosani appreciated receiving the non-paper and conveyed his conviction that Iran typically operates in a duplications manner regarding its nuclear program and other issues, maintaining one position publicly while secretly pursuing another course of action.
- 13. (S) Ambassador also met with Yousef al Otaiba, Director of International Affairs for the Crown Prince's Office in Abu Dhabi, on December 4 and passed a copy of the non-paper.

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